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Petition for writ of certiorari and motion for leave to Jul 11 1989 proceed in forms pauperis filed.

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Order extending time to file response to petition until September 8, 1989.

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The petition for a writ of certioneri is denied. Justice Brennen, dissenting: Adhering to my view that the death penalty is in all circumstances cruel and unusual punishment prchibited by the Eighth and Fourteenth Amendments, Gregg v. Georgia, 428 U.S. 153, 227 (1976), I would grant the petition for a writ of certioral and vacate the death sentence in this case. Dissenting opinion by Justice Marshall. (Detached opinion.)